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Cc: Sanders, LaTonya[Sanders.Latonya@epa.gov]; Thomas, Hattie[Thomas.Hattie@epa.gov]; Gravatt, Dan[Gravatt.Dan@epa.gov]
From: Peterson, Mary
Sent: Tue 1/21/2014 2:20:01 PM
Subject: RE: Question on Senator Blunt Site Visit to West Lake

David,

I am responding to the questions posed below and copying LaTonya, Hattie, and Dan for their awareness. In the meeting last Friday, Karl indicated that the site visit is scheduled from 1:15 – 2:30. LaTonya will confirm with Blunt's office regarding the people they are sending. The EPA team will include:

Mark Hague

Jeff Field

Dan Gravatt

Kevin Larson

Dan is preparing information packets for the Blunt group, including photos, site maps, FAQ, etc. OPA is gathering some info for the packets. My understanding is that EPA plans to conduct the briefing at the site. From Jessie's email below it sounds as if Republic is planning to conduct the briefing – this needs to get coordinated. Otherwise Jessie's description of the event sounds about right. I see the event going something like this:

1:15 arrive at site and meet in Republic's conference room

1:15 – 1:45 Briefings

1. EPA update on Westlake site
2. MDNR update on Bridgeton LF

3. Republic will give safety briefing

1:45-2:15 Site tour

2:15-2:30 Q and A/Follow up items identified – Republic's conference room

Obviously the time frames are estimates and are subject to change. LaTonya and Dan – if I have mis-stated something, please advise. Thanks.

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From: Hoefer, David

Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2014 7:04 AM

To: Peterson, Mary

Subject: FW: Question on Senator Blunt Site Visit to West Lake

Mary

See below e-mails re coordination on the Blunt visit.

From: Merrigan, Jessie (LG) [<mailto:JMerrigan@LATHROP.GA.CORP.COM>]
Sent: Sunday, January 19, 2014 1:42 PM
To: Hoefer, David
Subject: RE: Question on Senator Blunt Site Visit to West Lake

Good afternoon David,

We were informed that Senator Blunt would arrive at 1:30 on Thursday. I am not sure how much time he has, but if you find that out, that would be good to know for our planning. Our typical approach with new visitors is to start with a short meeting during which our team can provide an overview of the West Lake Landfill and Bridgeton Landfill, and provide appropriate safety briefing in advance of a tour. We would then take them to certain key viewing points for further discussion, and hopefully have time to return to the office for question and answer after the tour. We will be prepared to provide PPE and transportation for the Blunt team (that is why we need to confirm the number). Dan Gravatt told Victoria Warren that EPA would provide its own transportation and PPE, but if that changes, please just let me know.

The planned participants from our team are: Joe Benco, the Vice President of Engineering; Tim Trost, the Area President; Victoria Warren, the Director of Superfund; and Brian Power, the Bridgeton Landfill Environmental Manager, will join if his earlier agency meeting adjourns in time. In addition, we have asked the West Lake Project Manager, Paul Rosasco, to participate.

I appreciate your checking with the public affairs team and look forward to any additional information on the visit.

Thank you,
Jessie

From: Hoefer, David [<mailto:Hoefer.David@epa.gov>]
Sent: Saturday, January 18, 2014 10:11 PM
To: Merrigan, Jessie
Subject: RE: Question on Senator Blunt Site Visit to West Lake

Jessie

I expect to hear from LaTonya Sanders, our legislative contact, about who should be in attendance from Sen. Blunt's office Tuesday morning. I will let you know. Would you let me know who we can expect to attend from Republic? I understood that you would be there, I will not. I have requested confirmation of who will be attending from EPA and should also be able to provide that to you on Tuesday. As I just inherited this, I don't know whether all of the details such as time of arrival, whether there will be a health and safety briefing, and order of events has been coordinated. It would seem that we all would want this to be well coordinated so as to make this as informative for Sen. Blunt in the limited amount of time that will be available. Please let me know if further coordination is desired and I will see what I can do.

While I was EPA's attorney on this site years ago, I understand that a lot has occurred since then. (That may be a gross understatement.) I have been briefed on the current status but I know that there are likely many details that I am unaware of. I am looking forward to working on this site and working with you and Republic. Since Audrey is no longer working on this site, please include me on future communications.

Thanks.

David Hoefer

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From: Merrigan, Jessie (LG) [<mailto:JMerrigan@LATHROPGAGE.COM>]

Sent: Saturday, January 18, 2014 5:26 PM
To: Hoefer, David
Subject: RE: Question on Senator Blunt Site Visit to West Lake

Thank you, David, I appreciate it. Also, I had mentioned this to Audrey, but just wanted to also let you know, I will be on site next week so may participate in the meeting / tour – just as an informational resource. I just wanted to make sure to mention that to you since some of you team will be there.

I look forward to working with you on this project,

Jessie

From: Hoefer, David [<mailto:Hoefer.David@epa.gov>]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 6:43 PM
To: Merrigan, Jessie
Subject: RE: Question on Senator Blunt Site Visit to West Lake

Checking with our public affairs folks.

From: Merrigan, Jessie (LG) [<mailto:JMerrigan@LATHROPGAGE.COM>]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 5:47 PM
To: Hoefer, David
Cc: Asher, Audrey; Beck, Bill (LG)
Subject: Question on Senator Blunt Site Visit to West Lake

Good evening David,

I understand Audrey is out next week, and I wanted to follow up to see if we could speak briefly next week regarding the site tour requested by Senator Blunt. We are preparing for the tour and I was just interested to know whether you knew who from the Senator's team would be participating and whether there were specific topics of interest that we should be prepared to address.

Thank you,

Jessie



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